



Delegated Action of the Executive Director

PROJECT National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Recreational Facility Fort Belvoir Fairfax County, Virginia	NCPC FILE NUMBER 7728 NCPC MAP FILE NUMBER 2205.10(38.00)44249
SUBMITTED BY United States Department of Defense Department of the Army	ACTION TAKEN Preliminary and final approval of site development plans REVIEW AUTHORITY Advisory per 40 U.S.C. § 8722(b)(1)

The Department of the Army (Army) submitted preliminary and final site development plans for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) Recreational Facility at Fort Belvoir, Fairfax County, Virginia. Fort Belvoir, an 8,500-acre installation for 39,000 employees, is located approximately 17 miles south of Washington, DC. This project includes an outdoor recreational area for personnel working within the Fort Belvoir North Area.

The site is located south of Barta Road adjacent to NGA's West Gate. It is bounded by the West Gate to the north, the NGA parking garage and Main Building to the east, and NGA's perimeter fence to the west. The proposal includes a basketball court, a picnic pavilion, a sand volleyball court, and a horseshoe pit on a 0.96-acre disturbed parcel within the NGA Campus. The project will be constructed in two phases. Phase one, which is included in the current submission, consists of the basketball court and associated site infrastructure, including grading, stormwater management, sidewalks, and a water fountain. The Army plans to construct the remaining features, subsequent to Commission approval, in the future.

Plans include: a 7,980 square foot basketball court; 2,034 square feet of new sidewalks; a 720 square foot picnic pavilion; and an approximately 2,341 square foot sand volleyball court and sand horseshoe pit. The basketball and volleyball courts will be enclosed with a 10-foot high chain link fence and will include new lighting. The basketball court is expected to be completed by spring 2016. The future picnic pavilion, sand volleyball court, and sand horseshoe pit are not currently scheduled. The estimated cost for the current project is \$489,000.00.

The Army does not plan to remove any trees during construction. In addition, there are no roads or parking associated with the project. The project includes a bio-retention underground stormwater infiltration basin connected to an existing stormwater management facility with the goal to meet state and federal stormwater management requirements.

In 2014, the Commission approved the draft *Fort Belvoir Real Property Master Plan* which serves as a framework for developing and managing real property on Fort Belvoir. The proposed

recreational facility is located within the Limits of Disturbance of the NGA Main Building construction and the proposal is consistent with the approved draft master plan.

The applicant prepared a Record of Environmental Consideration with the determination that the project was categorically excluded under the provisions of CX (C)(1), AR 200-2, 32 CFR part 651, Appendix B, Section II. This categorical exclusion states that "*Construction of an addition to an existing structure or new construction on a previously undisturbed site if the area to be disturbed has no more than 5.0 cumulative acres of new surface disturbance. This does not include construction of facilities for the transportation, distribution, use, storage, treatment, and disposal of solid waste, medical waste, and hazardous waste.*" The applicant's NHPA Section 106 obligation for the project is complete, pursuant to the Virginia Department of Historic Resources determination that this project will not affect historic properties. Since the Commission has an advisory review authority over federal projects outside the District of Columbia, it does not have an independent responsibility under NEPA or Section 106.

The Fairfax County Department of Planning and Zoning and the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services reviewed the project and noted that there are no long-term environmental impacts associated with the project.

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Pursuant to delegations of authority adopted by the Commission on October 3, 1996 and 40 U.S.C.

§ 8722(b)(1), I approve the preliminary and final site development plans for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Recreational Facilities at Fort Belvoir, Fairfax County, Virginia.

Marcel Acosta
Executive Director

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